Ruling of the Chair.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I was thinking how to accommodate the very large number of the members whose names have been sent to me and in the mean while this point has been raised. So far as the point of order is concerned, I have given a ruling already. There is also a ruling of my predecessor; I have got both of them here. The ruling was that so far as making a statement was concerned, there was no absolute duty on the part of the Ministers not to make any statement at all, because there was no rule or convention which prohibited. But if the August House is in session, it is the duty of the Ministers, not as a rigid duty to be observed, but by way of showing respect to the House, to maintain the status of the House, by disclosing it first to the House. If they do not do it, I think, there is no convention on the basis of which I should give a direction. Moreover, this point of order should have been raised at the earliest possible time, it was not made yesterday.....

Sri S. SIVAPPA.—Yesterday, we did not know. It is only today that we saw it in the papers.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಗೋಪಾಲ ಗೌಡ.—ಮುಖ್ಯಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳು ಯಾವುದೋ ಒಂದು ಜಿಲ್ಲಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಸಮ್ಮೇಳನವನ್ನು ಉದ್ಘಾಟಿಸುತ್ತಾ ಹೇಳಿದ್ದು ಪತ್ರಿಕೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಬಂದಿದೆ.

Mr. SPEAKER.—So the objection is with regard to the address delivered or made by the Chief Minister to the Conference of the Deputy Commissioners. Is that so ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಗೋಪಾಲ ಗೌಡ.—ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಹೇಳಬೇಕಾದ ವಿಷಯವನ್ನು ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಹೇಳಿದರಲಾ ಎಂಬುದೇ ನನ್ನ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆ.

Mr. SPEAKER.—If they had said anything on this vital important matter, with a view to allay the fears of the public and to set matters right to the effect that they were going to get foodstuffs, it would be better that the public also should know. It is the public outside and the villages where foodstuffs are not available that are more intimately connected with it I observed it yesterday and no member took objection to it. In the light of that with regard to the address delivered by the Chief Minister to D. Cs., I do not think there is anything wrong.

A conference was called and the Chief Minister had to address it. There is nothing wrong. In the course of his reply he traversed all the points that were raised and even those that were not raised, were relevant.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಗೋಪಾಲ ಗೌಡ.—ನಾವು ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಕೇಳಿದಾಗ ಚಿತ್ರದುರ್ಗದ ವಿಷಯವನ್ನು ಪದೇ ಪದೇ ಪೇಪರುಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಡಿದ ಅಲ್ಲಿಯ ಸಂದರ್ಭಗಳು ತುಂಬಾ ಕಳವಳಕಾರಕವಾದ ಸುದ್ದಿಗಳನ್ನು ಪತ್ರಿಕೆಗಳು ಪ್ರಕಟಪಡಿಸಿವೆ ಎಂದು ತಿಳಿಸಿ ಆದರ ಆ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ನಾವು ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಕೇಳಿದೆವು. ಆಗ ಮುಖ್ಯ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳು ಏನನ್ನೂ ಹೇಳದೆ ಈ ಸಭೆಯ ಹೊರಗಡೆ ಹೋಗಿ ಹೇಗೆ ಹೇಳಿಕೆ ಕೊಟ್ಟರು ?

Mr. SPEAKER.—So, according to the Hon'ble Member the Chief Minister is wrong is traversing several points reported in the papers and that they are contrary to the Rules of procedure of the House.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಗೋಪಾಲ ಗೌಡ.—ನಾವು ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಮೇಲಿಂದ ಮೇಲೆ ಅಭಾವ ಪರಸ್ಥಿತಿಯ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಚರ್ಚೆ ಮಾಡಬೇಕೆಂದು ಕೇಳುತ್ತಲೇ ಇದ್ದೇವೆ. ಇನ್ನು ಮೇಲಾದರೂ ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಆಹಾರ ದವಸಗಳ ಅಭಾವದ ವಿಷಯ ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಚರ್ಚೆಗೆ ಬರುತ್ತದೆಯೇ ? ಹಾಗಿದ್ದರೆ ಯಾವಾಗ, ಅದನ್ನು ಚರ್ಚಿಸಬೇಕು, ಎನ್ನುವುದನ್ನು ತಮ್ಮ ಮೂಲಕ ತಿಳಿಯಬಯಸುತ್ತೇನೆ.

Sri S. SIVAPPA.—He has raised a very important issue in the sense that the Chief Minister made a policy statement yesterdy at the officers' meeting.

Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA.—Such objections are coming up in the House very often. Immediately I came from Delhi I gave information to the Press which had already appeared. There is nothing new. The information given was that so much quantity would be given to Mysore and that so much quantity would be required, and all that, as a result of the decision taken at the Chief Ministers' Conference. There is nothing new. I did not reveal any question of policy. Regarding yesterday's Conference of the Deputy Commissioners, I told them what decision we had taken at Delhi and what the position was.

ಗ್ರಾಮಾಂತರ ಪ್ರದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಹಳ್ಳಿಗಾಡಿನ ಜನಗಳು ಸರಕಾರ ಈಗಿನ ಅಭಾವ ಪರಿಸ್ಥಿತಿಯ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಏನು ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದೆಯೆನ್ನುವುದನ್ನು ವರ್ತಮಾನ ಪತ್ರಿಕೆಗಳಿಂದ ತಿಳಿಯಲು ಆತುರರಾಗಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ.

The people had to know what they have got to know. It is to allay the fears in the mind of the public. The decision was already there and the people throughout the country must know how much food comes from America, how levy and procurement policy have been lifted. I have not laid out policy for the Mysore State as such. I did not do any disrespect to this House; I have the greatest respect. I know what is agitating the minds of the public and they must know what is decided. Therefore, I do not think these objections could be raised often.

Sri S. SIVAPPA.—The Chief Minister stated that maximum prices of food would be fixed and also decisions taken. When we demanded from the Chief Minister.....

Mr. SPEAKER.—I will give a ruling later.

MOTION ON THE SCARCITY CONDITIONS PREVAILING IN THE STATE AND RELIEF MEASURES ADOPTED AND TO BE ADOPTED.

Motion to consider

(Debate continued)

ಶ್ರೀ ಹೆಚ್. ಆರ್. ಕೇಶವ ಮೂರ್ತಿ (ಗುಂಡಸಿ).—ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರೇ, ಆಹಾರ ಧಾನ್ಯಗಳ ಹಂಚುವಿಕೆಯಲ್ಲಿನವ್ಯತ್ಯಹಿಂದಿನ ಅನುಭವಗಳನ್ನು ನೋಡಿದರೆ ಬಹಳ ಅವ್ಯವಸ್ಥೆಗಳಿದ್ದುವು ಎನ್ನುವುದು ಗೊತ್ತಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ಆಹಾರ ಧಾನ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ಎಲ್ಲೆಲ್ಲಿ ಶೇಖರಣೆ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದರೋ ಅಲ್ಲೆಲ್ಲಾ ಒಂದು ತರದ ಕುಚ್ಚೆ ಹುಳಗಳು ಬಂದು ಧಾನ್ಯಗಳೆಲ್ಲಾ ಹಾಳಾಗಿ ಹೋದವು. ಅಂತಹ ಹುಳು ತಿಂದ ದವನಗಳನ್ನೇ ಗ್ರಾಮಾಂತರ ಪ್ರದೇಶಗಳಲ್ಲಿನ ಜನರಿಗೆ ಆಗ ಹಂಚಿದರು. ಆಗ ಅವರು ಹೊಚ್ಚೆಗಿಲ್ಲದುದರಿಂದ ಅಂತಹ ಹುಳಿತ ದವನಗಳನ್ನೇ ತಿನ್ನಬೇಕಾಗಿ ಬಂತು. ಆದರೆ ಪಟ್ಟಣಗಳಲ್ಲಿದ್ದವರು ಆದನ್ನು ಸರಿಮಾಡಿಸಿಕೊಂಡು ಉಪಯೋಗಮಾಡಿಕೊಂಡರು. ಹಳ್ಳಿಗಳಲ್ಲಿದ್ದ ಜನರಿಗಾಗಲಿಲ್ಲ. ಆದುದರಿಂದ ಸರಕಾರವವರು ಈಗ ಆಹಾರ ಧಾನ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ಶೇಖರಣೆ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿರುವುದರಿಂದ ಇಂತಹ ಸನ್ನಿವೇಶಗಳು ಈಗ ಉದ್ಭವಿಸ ಬಾರದು ಎಂದು ನಾನು ಕೇಳಿಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೇನೆ. ಮತ್ತು ಆಹಾರ ಧಾನ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ಶೇಖರಣೆ ಮಾಡುವಂತಹ ಮಧ್ಯಮವರ್ಗದ ರೈತರಿಗೆ ಫ್ಯಾಮಿನ್ ರಿಲೀಫ್ ಲೋನು ಎನ್ನುವ ಹೊಸ ರೀತಿಯಾದ ಸಾಲಗಳನ್ನು ಕೊಟ್ಟು ಸಹಾಯ ಮಾಡಬೇಕು. ಇದರಿಂದ ಆ ರೈತರು ನೂರಾರು ರೂಪಾಯಿಗಳ ದವನವನ್ನು ಕೊಳ್ಳಲು, ದನಕರುಗಳಿಗೆ ಹುಲ್ಲನ್ನು ಕೊಂಡುಕೊಳ್ಳಲು ಸಹಾಯವಾಗುತ್ತದೆ.